IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT :

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE A.K.BASHEER

SATURDAY, THE 18TH AUGUST 2007 / 27TH SRAVANA 1929

WP(C).No. 25135 of 2007(P)

PETITIONER:

VASUDEVAN AZHAKATHILLATH, H.S.A (MATHS),
MATTANNUR HIGHER SECONDARY SCHOOL, MATTANNUR P.O.,
KANNUR DISTRICT.

BY ADV. SRI.KALEESWARAM RAJ

RESPONDENTS:

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1. STATE OF KERALA, REPRESENTED BY
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL
EDUCATION, SECRETARIAT, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM.

2. THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION,
KANNUR.

3. THE DISTRICT EDUCATIONAL OFFICER,
THALASSERY.

4. P.SASHEENDRANATHAN, H.S.A (MATHS),
MATTANNUR HIGHER SECONDARY SCHOOL, MATTANNUR,
KANNUR DISTRICT.

5. THE MANAGER, MATTANNUR HIGHER
SECONDARY SCHOOL, MATTANNUR, KANNUR DISTRICT.

BY GOVERNMENT PLEADER SRI.A.J.VARGHESE

THIS WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) HAVING COME UP FOR ADMISSION ON 18/08/2007, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY DELIVERED THE FOLLOWING:

A.K.BASHEER, J.

W.P.(C)No.25135 OF 2007

Dated this the 18th day of August, 2007

JUDGMENT

Grievance of the petitioner, who is working as High School Assistant, is that his seniority has been overlooked while appointing respondent no.4 as the Deputy Headmaster. Various contentions have been raised by the petitioner in support of his plea that going by seniority he ought to have been appointed as Deputy Headmaster.

2. I do not propose to deal with any of the contentions raised by the petitioner at this stage, in view of the limited prayer made by the learned counsel for the petitioner at the Bar. He submits that petitioner will be satisfied, if an appropriate direction is issued to respondent no.3 to take a decision on Ext.P3 representation preferred by the petitioner.

3. In the above facts and circumstances, writ petition is disposed of a with a direction to respondent no.3 to consider and pass orders on Ext.P3 as expeditiously as possible, at any rate, within six weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this

judgment. Needless to mention, respondent no.3 shall ensure that petitioner, respondent no.4 and the management of the school are afforded sufficient opportunity of hearing before any decision is taken in the matter. Petitioner shall produce a copy of the writ petition along with a certified copy of the judgment before respondent no.3 for compliance.

Writ petition is disposed of as above.

A.K.BASHEER, JUDGE

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